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SUBJECT: PROGRAM AND AGENDA FOR US-EC CONSULTATIONS

MAY 29-30

REF: EC BRUSSELS 3879

1. COMMISSION PROPOSALS FOR PROGRAM AND AGENDA SEEM GENERALLY SATISFACTORY. WE DO NOT FEEL THAT THE OPTION OF A PRELIMINARY WORKING GROUP DISCUSSION ON LDC ISSUES IS NECESSARY. ON THE OTHER HAND, TO GIVE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR DISCUSSION OF THIS AND OTHER IMPORTANT TOPICS, WE FEEL IT IMPORTANT TO START FRIDAY MORNING PLENARY SOMEWHAT EARLIER. THE CONSULTATIONS WILL, AT ANY RATE, BE MORE BRIEF THAN USUAL.

2. WE ASSUME THAT COMMISSION INTENDED TO DISCUSS ENERGY UNDER RAW MATERIALS POLICY, BUT WE THINK IT DESIRABLE TO HAVE SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM FOR ENERGY, IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE THIS TOPIC AND OF ONGOING WORK IN IEA.

3. OUR SUGGESTIONS FOR A SLIGHTLY REVISED AGENDA AND SCHEDULE ARE SET FORTH PARA 5 BELOW. WE HAVE ADDED SOMEWHAT MORE DETAIL TO GIVE EC SIDE BETTER IDEA OF THE SPECIFIC TOPICS WHICH WE WILL WANT TO TAKE UP WITH THEM. AS IN THE

PAST, OF COURSE, THERE IS NO INTENTION ON OUR PART TO LIMIT MATTERS WHICH CAN BE DISCUSSED UNDER MAJOR AGENDA HEADINGS.

4. YOU SHOULD POINT OUT TO THE COMMISSION THAT WE ARE HOPING TO ARRANGE FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION REGARDING POLITICAL/ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH THIRD COUNTRIES, EG, PORTUGAL AND GREECE/TURKEY/CYPRUS. HARTMAN WILL ALSO, OF COURSE, BE PARTICIPATING IN NATO SUMMIT BUT IT WOULD APPEAR THAT HE CAN ATTEND SESSION I DINNER ON THURSDAY EVENING AND PROBABLY ALSO SESSION II ON FRIDAY MORNING. COUNSELOR SONNENFELDT MAY ALSO ATTEND SOME OF SESSIONS IF SCHEDULE PERMITS.

5. IN LIGHT OF THE ABOVE, WE WOULD SUGGEST FOLLOWING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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SCHEDULE AND AGENDA:

A. SCHEDULE:

MAY 29, THURSDAY

8:15 P.M. - SESSION I - WORKING DINNER BY AMBASSADOR GREENWALD FOR US AND EC DELEGATIONS.

MAY 30, FRIDAY

10:00 - 1:00 - SESSION II

1:00 - 2:30 - DELEGATION LUNCHEON GIVEN BY COMMISSION

2:30 - 4:30 - SESSION III

4:40 - PRESS CONFERENCE

B: AGENDA:

(FIRST SESSION - THURSDAY DINNER)

I. OVERALL US-EC RELATIONS

INSTEAD OF THE COMMUNITY'S SUGGESTED TOPIC ON RECES-
SION/INFLATION AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO TRADE AND MONETARY
POLICY, WE WOULD PROPOSE A BROADER FORMULATION SUCH AS
"GENERAL ECONOMIC SITUATION." THIS WOULD NOT LIMIT EITHER
SIDE FROM ADDRESSING ANY PARTICULAR SUBJECTS UNDER THIS
HEADING. IN ADDITION, WE WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE MANAGEMENT
OF OUR BILATERAL TRADE ISSUES PLUS AGRICULTURE AND GRAIN
RESERVES.

(SECOND AND THIRD SESSIONS - FRIDAY)

II. RELATIONS WITH THIRD COUNTRIES

WE HAVE IN MIND HERE AN EXCHANGE ON PORTUGAL, ON
GREECE/TURKEY/CYPRUS, ON CANADA AND IRAN. WE WOULD ALSO
APPRECIATE HEARING FROM SIR CHRISTOPHER ABOUT HIS TRIP TO
CHINA, THE PROGRESS OF THE EC/ARAB DIALOGUE, EC/CEMA RELA-
TIONS AND EC MEDITERRANEAN POLICY.

III. NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS

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WE WOULD EXPECT TO FOLLOW UP ON THE DISCUSSIONS IN
THE OECD MINISTERIAL ON RAW MATERIALS AND OTHER NORTH/SOUTH
ISSUES. ACCORDINGLY WE WOULD SUGGEST DROPPING RAW
MATERIALS AS A SEPARATE AGENDA TOPIC.

IV. ENERGY

WE WOULD EXPECT TO REVIEW THE ONGOING WORK OF THE
IEA AND FOLLOW-UP, IF NECESSARY, ON THE US-EC NUCLEAR
TRADE DISCUSSIONS.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION AND/OR COMMENTS FROM
COMMISSION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE WILL SEND DELEGATION
LIST AS SOON AS COMPILED. INGERSOLL

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